



U.S. Department of Justice

Office of Legal Counsel

Washington, D.C. 20530

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Evan Benz
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Re: FOIA Tracking No. FY19-146

Dear Mr. Benz:

This letter acknowledges receipt of your May 20, 2019 Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") request to the Office of Legal Counsel ("OLC"), in which you sought "records related to the Attorney General's decision to refer the case of Matter of M-S- to himself." We received your request on May 20, 2019, and it has been assigned tracking number **FY19-146**. Based on our preliminary review of your request, and pursuant to 28 C.F.R. § 16.5(b), your request has been tentatively assigned to the "complex" processing track. If you would like to narrow your request so that it can be transferred to the "simple" track and processed more quickly, please contact Melissa Golden at the address and phone number provided below.

Because of the considerable number of FOIA requests received by OLC prior to your request, our staff has not yet been able to process your request. Accordingly, we will be unable to comply with the statutory deadline for responding to your request. I regret the necessity of this delay, but I assure you that your request will be processed as soon as possible.

In the meantime, if you have any questions or wish to discuss your request, you may contact Melissa Golden, OLC's FOIA Public Liaison, at usdoj-officeoflegalcounsel@usdoj.gov, (202) 514-2053, or at Office of Legal Counsel, United States Department of Justice, 950 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W., Room 5511, Washington, DC 20530.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Paul P. Colborn", is written over a horizontal line.

Paul P. Colborn
Special Counsel